

**Town of Abington**  
**S.A.G.E. COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
September 17, 2009-Ware Room 6:30 pm

Member's Present: Dan Brielmann, Chairman, Marilyn Brielmann, Susan Brennan, Ellie Grillo, Robyn Fernald, and Marty Dolphin

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Discussion on Press Release/Media contact: Contact Person for inquiries and speaking to the press will go through the Chairperson.

Discussion of minutes from August 20, 2009: Members need more time to review Mission/Vision Statement. Committee will revisit the Mission and Vision statement at the October 15, 2009 meeting.

**Motion made:** Marilyn Brielmann, seconded by Robyn Fernald to insert the name of the grant received on the August 20, 2009 minutes. Approved 4/0/2

Discussion continues on the Committees clear goals and objectives. How we work, scope of work, long term goals, and how to utilize the findings.

No child left inside-i.e. National Program and other National Environmental Education Activities.

Lurane Ryerson reports that the Farmers Market was a wonderful success and will continue to move forward with next year's venue including and organizing other local farmers and possible vendors.

Lurane Ryerson continues to report that what made this Farmers Market such a success was that the criteria for local and homegrown were the key.

Discussion continues on next year's Farmers Market. Highlight specialty vendors, activities for kids, scheduling and locations.

**Motion made** by Lurane Ryerson, seconded by Marilyn Brielmann to establish a Revolving Account with the Town- not to exceed \$1250.00 Approved 6/0/0

Needles: How to dispose of and on-going discussion with the Abington Board of Health.

The Official Grant title is Green Community: with success in the next round of funding.

Ellie Grillo updated the board on (RFI) Request for Information/Energy Efficiency block grants. Forward all information to Dori Jamieson and Anthony Sulmonte.

Dan Brielmann continues to speak about grants and monies to assist homeowners through State and Federal programs.

Energy update from Dan Brielmann: Energy savings campaign needs to be an educational process for the town of Abington. The schools/children are a great resource for outreach programs. How can we save the town money? Let's educate the residents on simple ways they can save money and the environment at the same time. TURN OFF! How do we get the residents to "buy" into this? Possible mentor program for children paired with the Seniors/Business People/Senior Center.

Marty Dolphin – "Green Up" Also, from Marty Dolphin the availability of a Kilowatt meter/power usage device. Marty Dolphin will donate a device that residents can check out of the Library for homeowners.

Dan Brielmann and Ellie Grillo were in attendance at the Lions Club meeting at the Abington Depot and report it was a successful in the introduction of S.A.G.E.

**Motion made** by Susan Brennan, seconded by Martin Dolphin to adjourn.

Approved 6/0/0



Daniel Brielmann, Chairman

  
Susan Brennan, Recording Secretary